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NORTHERN KENTUCKY HEALTH DEPARTMENT



### **Resolution Regarding Blood-borne Pathogen Certification**

**Whereas**, the Northern Kentucky Independent District Board of Health (Board) is the entity with authority to promote and protect the public health of the community within its jurisdiction,

**Whereas**, the Northern Kentucky Independent District Health Department (Department) operates under the Board's direction to carry-out programs and services to that end,

**Whereas**, the Board has authority to adopt administrative regulations for programs and services deemed appropriate for the protection and betterment of the public's health through KRS 212.230, KRS 212.245, KRS 212.784, KRS 212.794, and others,

**Whereas**, the Department has authority over establishments and workers/artists who provide tattoo and body piercing services to patrons within its jurisdiction,

**Whereas**, operation of such establishments requires strict adherence to sanitary practices for the health and safety of patrons and tattoo/body piercing artists alike and these activities include the puncturing of or similar penetration of skin, and therefore the potential transmission of diseases through blood or objects that have been exposed to blood, making proper safety practices and hygienic practices necessary in order to protect the public health; and,

**Whereas**, in order to protect the public health and ensure that the proper safety practices are followed in this industry, the Department provides training, education, and certification programs for these establishments and their personnel; and

**Whereas**, recent changes in the applicable codes, statutes, and regulations in the industry require the Board to update and revise the Blood-borne Pathogen Certification Regulation to bring it in compliance with current law;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AND ORDERED BY THE NORTHERN KENTUCKY INDEPENDENT DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH AS FOLLOWS:**

**Northern Kentucky Health Department**

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